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PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE GAS BILL, 2026

1. Notice is hereby given in terms of Rule 276(1)(b) of the Rules of the National Assembly that the Minister of Electricity and Energy intends to introduce the Gas Bill, 2026, in the National Assembly shortly.

2. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 276(1)(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly.

The Bill seeks to repeal the Gas Act, 2001 (Act No. 48 of 2001); to provide for the promotion of the orderly development of the gas industry; to enhance the national regulatory framework; to promote broad-based black economic empowerment; to provide for socio-economic and environmentally sustainable development; to provide for new developments and changing technologies in the gas sector; to facilitate gas infrastructure development and investment; to provide for cooperation between the private and public sectors; to strengthen enforcement and improve compliance; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

3. A copy of the Bill can be found on the websites of the Department at http://www.dmre.gov.za and that of the Parliamentary Monitoring Group http://www.pmg.org.za.

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